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RISE OF MINING CAMPS

Early Struggles for Recognition—and Final Triumph.

That history repeats itself is peculiarly true of mining camps, remarks an exchange. Time after time the story has been the same. Always it has been of early struggles for recognition, of the hardy faith and plucky persistence of a few against adverse conditions, of some lucky chance that has rivited attention, of feverish stampedes, months or years of wildest expectations and towering air-castles and finally of the realization for the few and disappointment for the many.

This is the story of the many developed camps throughout the western country, and it is the story that is being acted by a host today. Some, like Butte, Rossland and the Coeur d'Alenes, have played the tale to the last, longest act. Some, like Republic and the Boundary, are at the entreact that precedes it. Others seem on the eve of the first excitement and a host of others are still playing the prologue.

The history of Butte tells the tale for many others. Not many years ago Montana's wonderful and famous mining city was a comparatively obscure and quiet town without railroad connections or mines worthy of the name. The existence of large bodies of low-grade ores was known, but it seemed that as paying mines they were impossibilities. Expert after expert came from the east to examine *them, and with a single notable exception* they condemned the camp as worthless.

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Then came the inevitable reaction. The sorting process of the valuable from the worthless, and consequent lack of opportunity for the prospector, and the concentrating of attention on the few coming mines did away with the gambling element and the camp simmered down to business. The steady development of the camp to its present remarkable productive capacity, the building of giant treatment plants and the gradual increase of dividends, is a familiar story. The camp is now in the last act.

The Western Ontario district has passed through the initial stage, the sifting time has come, and the valuable claims are been sorted out from the many. New mineral sections will of course be opened out and the same course will be run.

The properties which have been thoroughly proven will not wait long for the necessary capital for their future working, mining here will simmer down to a purely business proposition, and then we will have a period of sound and continued prosperity.

The persistence of a few thoroughly wide-awake men has demonstrated that there is gold here and in paying quantities. The advent of sufficient capital will develop many promising properties and all will share in the prosperity that will follow.

NEW THAMES SCULLING RECORD.

Made by a New Zealand Amateur Against Professionals.

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HOPES ARE REALIZED.

Homestake Gold Mine No Disappointment to St. Paul Owners.

St. Paul Pioneer Press : The officers of the Homestake Gold Mining Company of Ontario, Limited, are congratulating themselves upon the realization of the hopes which prompted them to put their money and efforts into the development of what they believed to be one of the finest mining properties in the Rainy Lake region. The company began business about a year ago. It was organized by St. Paul business men, is managed by St. Paul directors and is owned largely by St. Paul stockholders, and is, in fact, a home institution, whose success is a matter of local pride and interest.

The company was organized to purchase and develop the claims held by five prospectors who had confidence enough in their holdings to accept payment in the stock of the company that was to develop the mine. The officers, who are well versed in mining values, had every reason to believe that their mine would prove to be one of great worth. They made no extravagant claims concerning future dividends or what the company would be able to do. Confident that straightforward methods would be appreciated, they confined their efforts to advertising the plain facts concerning the company's holdings.

The money that was received from the sale of stock was economically expended in the development of the mine, and the results are very gratifying to the stockholders. During the development work the values have four times increased, while the company was sinking a shaft 100 feet and cross-cutting from 125 to 150 feet. The amount of development done up to date is sufficient, it is claimed, to place in reserve enough to keep a 40-stamp mill busy for three years. The splendid showing made and the recent heavy purchases of stock have caused the board of directors to limit the sale of stock to 25,000 additional shares, and to increase the price.

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A. O. U. W. Concert.

The concert in the opera house last *night under the auspices of the A.O.U.* W. was fairly well attended. The musical part of the programme, which was under the direction of Mr. Carpenter, was well up to the standard attained by our local talent, while the readings by Mr. W. M. Rose lent enough variety to the entertainment to save it from any criticism of lack of variation. In the interpretation of readings Mr. Rose shows evidence of careful study and a knowledge of expression rarely found outside of the professional reader. The "Oration of Brutus over the dead body of Lucretia," was perhaps a little too heavy, and lacked the intense dramatization which appeals to an audience, but "How Ruby Played," to use a slang expression, caught on and well deserved the encore which followed. Mr. Rose should be heard more frequently.

Miss Weidman made her first appearance as a pianist in the opera house, and her number was splendidly executed, giving evidence of ability, combined with study.

Another addition to local talent is Mr. Harold Young, who gave a delightful selection on the violin, the favorite of all musical instruments. *Mr. Young's execution is good, and his* happy choice of selections will make him a favorite in local musical circles.

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Fort Frances News.

ROYAL JUBILEE HOSPITAL.

Fourth Annual Report of the Secretary—An Excellent Showing.

In submitting to you our fourth annual report of the Royal Jubilee Hospital it affords us much pleasure to be able to say that the past year has been one of marked improvement in the way of greatly extended work and the success achieved in the treatment of the many different cases which were admitted to the institution.

At our last annual meeting attention was called to the absolute necessity of enlarging the hospital, and a public meeting was called with that object in view. However, owing no doubt to the close state of the financial market the matter was left in abeyance and we had to do the best we could. But several times during the past year the hospital resources were taxed to their utmost, especially so during the prevalence of typhoid fever in our midst, when numbers of cases had to be refused admission from their being simply no place to put the patient, and when you take into consideration the very large district which we are called on to provide for, we would again most strongly urge on you the necessity of increased accommodation. The system of water supply was a matter of great anxiety, as up to last fall we were paying on an average about $35 per month for water, and after mature consideration your directors came to conclusion that a lead pipe could be laid across the bay and connection made with the water works system of the town. This work has been successfully accomplished at an outlay of about $750, and we would most respectfully ask your co-operation in the discharge of this debt incurred.

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RICHARD THOMPSON,
Secretary of Board.

Fast Train to Winnipeg.

Mr. Oborne, general superintendent of the C.P.R., interviewed in Winnipeg regarding what changes would be made in the service now in force, said that it was likely that a fast passenger service would be put on between Winnipeg and Rat Portage. This will be an extra train. The Imperial Limited from coast to coast will commence running about June 1. The additional fast train will be welcomed by many Rat Portagers and also by the large number of Winnipeg people who make this point their summer home. It will no doubt have a tendency to increase the number of our summer visitors and thereby be of great benefit to the town. It would be well, therefore, for those people who have summer cottages to rent on the islands to put them in good repair as soon as possible.

RIDINGS CARRIED FOR $1,000.

Any Constituency in the Province Can be Carried by Illegal Expenditure of Money for Bribery.

Mr. A. F. Campbell, now of Lindsay, but once member of the Ontario Legislature, for the constituency of East Algoma and an active member of the Conservative party, has given to the Lindsay Watchman and Warder an extensive interview on politics of the present day. He declares that both *parties bribe the electors.* They do it with money. There is, he said, a large purchaseable vote in every riding. There are very few constituencies that cannot be won with $1,000. But of course the government has the advantage, because besides the purchase of actually corrupt voters, by the use of money, it can powerfully influence whole municipalities by promises of public works. As far as money goes, it may not materially change the number of seats that each side holds, for each uses it. The corruptible electors are likely bought about evenly and the net result is about what it would be if neither used money. Of course

ST. GEORGE'S BANQUET.

Englishmen Celebrated the Saint's Day at the Hilliard House.

A largr and jolly gathering of Englishmen assembled in the Hilliard House dining room on Tuesday evening and held their second annual banquet. The room was nicely decorated with bunting and around the room hung pictures of national heroes. The utmost enthusiasm prevailed throughout the evening and the prominent feature of the songs and addresses was loyalty to the king, the empire, and to Canada. His Honor Judge Chapple occupied the chair.

After an excellent menu had been dispensed with, letters of regret were read, from Hon. Hugh John Macdonald, Hon. R. P. Roblin, T. R. Smith, R. J. Whitla, and others.

The different toasts were replied to by the following gentlemen : J. W. Humble, G. C. Frisbie, A.C. Bovee, A. M. Hay, Rev. J. W. R. Page, J. H. Chaldner, Major Hon. J.E.P. Vereker, W.B. Towers, Mayor Cameron, Walter Ross, J. K. Brydon, Rev. R. Nairn, *M. Robinson, J.C. Brady and Mr. Van-*Koughnet.

Interspersed between the speeches were songs by the following gentleman: Messrs. Carpenter, Appleton, Joly, Horswill, Tucker, Hall, Ingram, Welsman and Brydon.

The banquet was one of the most successful ever held in town, and though somewhat long, the interest was maintained to the close.

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The property of the company is located on the the Lake of the Woods, and is but a few miles from Rat Portage, which is reached by steamboats running direct to the property of the company. Its accessibility and the results which are very good adds to its desirability. The company owns one hundred acres of land and 174 acres that are under water, making a total of one and a half miles of the vein which is now being developed. The results of the preliminary work have been so satisfactory that the stock of the company is now practically off the market.

Enough capital has been secured to guarantee the complete development of the mine to a depth of 200 feet and to warrant the installation of a hundred-stamp mill. Negotiations are pending for the installation of a forty-stamp mill, and hoists are being secured for the sinking of shafts to increased depth. The work will be pushed as rapidly as may be in a conservative manner, and it is announced that within two years from 250 to 500 stamps will be in operation.

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From The Times.

Owing to the treacherous and unsafe condition of the ice on Rainy Lake, several narrow escapes from drowning these past few days are related.

Monday Mr. Spaul, book-keeper for Contractor Oleson, while going from Vincent's Point to the camps, went through the ice, and but for his timely rescue by a couple of squaws, would have perished. As it was he was in the water so long that he was nearly dead with cold and exhaustion.

C. P. Colwell, of Mine Centre, had the misfortune to lose a valuable team of horses by drowning last week, between Mine Centre and Sturgeon Falls.

Billy Morsseau, who left for Mine Centre on Saturday with Engineer Crandall, of the Majestic, when within fifty feet of the shore at L. S. Franklin's stopping place, Seine Bay, lost his horse by drowning.

Jack Archibald, book-keeper for Graham & Horne, at Hale Bay, while returning from Fort Frances to the camps on Saturday, went through the ice and barely escaped losing the team and sleigh.

Two teams belonging to James A. Tierney, on their way to the Fort, went through the ice three times and barely got out without an accident.

To Form a New Province.

Ottawa, April 22.—The Government will shortly enter into conference with representatives of the Territorial Council at Regina, looking to the admission of the Northwest Territories to the status of a province. Under date of March 21, 1901, Mr. Sifton, according to a return tabled in the House to-day, wrote Premier Haultain of the Territories as follows:

"Without at the present moment committing myself to any positive statement, I am prepared to say that the time has arrived when the question of organizing the Territories on the provincial basis ought to be the subject of full consideration."

He added a suggestion for a conference on the subject between representatives of the Territorial Government and a committee representing the Government at Ottawa.

cessfully accomplished at an outlay of about $750, and we would most respectfully ask your co-operation in the discharge of this debt incurred.

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The total number of days treatment for 1900 was 3,008 making the average number of days treatment of each patient nearly 9½. The total cost of maintenance, for the year was $4007.00, an average of $1.33 per head per day.

As to the religion of the patients 146 were Protestants of different denominations and 10 Roman Catholics.

You will see by the Treasurer's report that at the end of the year we had considerable liabilities, but thanks to the generous and kindly assistance of the shareholders of the Rat Portage Lumber Co. these have been materially reduced and we would wish to place on record our thanks for this timely aid.

Amongst the many influences that have helped towards our success in the present, as in the past, that of the Ladies Hospital Aids of Rat Portage and Keewatin stand prominently forward; a help which is highly appreciated by all and your Directors would take this opportunity of tendering their thanks to these Ladies for their noble work in connection with our institution.

We have much pleasure in reporting the work of the hospital as very satisfactory under the management of Miss Somerville. In her we have an efficient and careful matron, and the good work done by our nurses either in the hospital or at outside nursing, reflects credit to themselves and our matron.

We would desire to make grateful recognition of their services and also of the skilfull attendance of the several medical practitioners of the town.

We are also much indebted to the many friends of the hospital for their help and good will during the year.

The retiring directors are Messrs. Belyea, Pender, Megrund, Foster and Thompson, all of whom are eligible for re-election.

In conclusion we might say that the work done by our hospital fully de-

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"I do not say that all voters can be bought, but a great many of them can. They see the member drawing $1,000 a year and they argue that the only way they can get any of it is to take $10 each for votes at election times. The people that sell their votes do not all live in the towns and cities. You would be surprised how many there are in the country that have no strong political principles and will vote either way for a five-dollar bill.

"I can change 200 votes at $5 each in either Victoria, North or South. Yes, in most cases the average man will go for the party from whom he gets the most money. He may sell to both parties in some instances, but it is generally safe to count on getting the support of the man you buy."

Mr. Campbell is of the opinion that the cause of this is the fact that the franchise is too extensive. People were given the right to vote without principles and intelligence and the slummer and bummer can cancel the wish of the man who has a knowledge of the country's needs and big stakes in it.

"I would have a strict qualification. A foreigner should be compelled to pass an examination on the political institutions and problems of our country before he is allowed to vote. The principles of Government should be a subject in the common schools and no young man should be given the franchise unless he has a certificate of having passed an examination on that subject."

Dryden Baseball Club.

The Dryden baseball club—"Invincibles"—has been reorganized for the present year, and every indication points to their putting a strong team in the field. The following officers were elected: Hon. Pres., Dr. H. L. Blair; president, J. Rhodes; sec.-treas., F. Stone; committee, N. Cassidy, C. Combe, W. Kerney, R. D. Hutchison.

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On motion of Couns. Brydon and Horswill the questions of remuneration of the town engineer was referred to the finance committee and the clerk was instructed to notify the town engineer to perform no further services until the remuneration and fees have been fixed by the finance committee and council.

The Scott & Hudson Bldg. Co., were granted permission to erect a trough in front of their shop to enable persons passing to procure water for their teams.

The finance report was received and adopted, recommending payment of a number of accounts.

The by-law to raise $25,000 for further extension of the water works system, was considered in the committee of the whole. The committee rose and reported progress asking leave to sit again, which was granted.

The by-law for the further prevention of fire received its several readings and was finally passed.

The Mayor, clerk and coun. Chadwich were appointed to prepare the case re John Nash's claim, and the clerk was authorized to execute a bond of execution.

A motion to authorize the clerk to provide refreshments was lost, but the council had them nevertheless—at their own expense.

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THE WEALTH OF AUSTRALIA.

A writer in Ainslee's Magazine furnishes some interesting facts concerning the newly-established commonwealth of Australia.

Forty years ago the output of wool in Australia amounted to 8,000,000 pounds. Now, with a record of 700,000,000 pounds, Australia furnishes one-fourth of the world's wool, and of such a quality as to make it one-third of the total value. It is recorded that the early colonists used to kill their sheep simply for the fleece and tallow leaving the meat for the dogs. Later they began to export canned mutton to the home country, but when cold storage was introduced, Australia began her shipments of frozen mutton which have grown amazingly, until in 1901 these exports amounted to 225,000,000 pounds. Meanwhile, her shipments of tinned meats steadily advanced, reaching last year 45,000,000 pounds. Because of the war in the Transvaal and an immense mining development in West Australia, the new federation in 1899, with $80,000,000 output, led the world in product of gold. By constant gains her silver product has come to equal one-ninth of the world's supply. For the past year her total mineral output amounted to nearly $100,000,000, or $25 to every inhabitant. Her mineral possibilities in copper, tin, lead, antimony, iron, quicksilver and coal cannot be overestimated. As a result of her astonishing fertility Australia shipping has reached the total of 20,000,000 tons. Her first railway—that from Sydney to Parramatta—was opened in 1855. It was only fourteen miles in length. Today she owns 15,000 miles of railways. A curious light on her prosperity is the fact that she has a million items in her daily mail, in proportion to her population the highest average in the world. What is more remarkable is that this colossal national wealth has been built up by only 4,000,000 people. As a consequence, average individual wealth in Australia is the highest in the world. Turn to the picture of Australia as she is today. The land in size is nearly five-sixths the area of the United States, containing 2,973,000 square miles, against the 3,602,000 square of our country. But while in extent Australia stands as 29 is to 36, in population she is only as 4 to 76. Of her 4,000,000 inhabitants, only 200,000 are aborigines. Two-thirds of the Australian continent is a desert, and yet her productiveness is

fond of contrasting our small and diminished national debt with the big debts of other lands. Our $1,490,000,000 is small by the side of Great Britain's $3,496,000,000. Neverless, it is still a considerable debt; and it has not been uniformly decreasing, either. It is the British boast that practically all the British debt is chargeable to foreign war, and certainly the only increases of it in the last two-thirds of a century were thus caused. But in a time of profound peace our debt was increased, from 1893 to 1897, by more than $271,000,000, or nearly as much as Great Britain's has been increased by a tedious war at the farther end of another continent.

The amount of the British revenue is also worthy attention. The present revenue is a little more than $650,000,000. In the coming year Sir Michael Hicks-Beach expects to make it no less than $911,000,000 by means of increased income tax, new duties on sugar, molasses and glucose and an export duty on coal. The fact is that the British revenues in the last 20 years have increased more slowly than the wealth and the needs of the nation. Thus in 1881-82 they were $369,000,000, and by 1893-94 had risen to only $393,000,000. Since the latter date there has been a considerable increase on account of needed naval expansion, and last year of the Boer war. But in 1898-99, the year before the war, the revenues were only $479,500,000, an increase of $110,500,000 in 17 years. Our own revenues, we may observe, in 1881-82 were $360,000,000, or almost the same as Great Britain's; and in 1897-98 they had risen to over $494,000,000. It is an impressive fact, indicating the growth of British wealth, that in the 12 years the aggregate of taxable incomes has increased by more than $600,000,000, the tax upon which at the new rate proposed in the budget will be no less than $35,000,000 a year. Last year the income tax on incomes of above $800 a year—all below that are exempt from taxation—was 12 pence the pound, or 5 per cent., and it produced $132,250,000, the largest income tax revenue ever had down to date. For the coming year it will be 14 pence the pound, or 5.83 per cent., and will, the Chancellor estimates, produce a revenue of $151,250,000. In such fashion is this "temporary tax" perpetuated to eke out the payment of the Empire's war bills.

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THE POISONING RING.

One day Franklin Sturgis came into my office and produced a pearl ring which he wished to sell. It was one of the most magnificent pearls I have ever seen, large, white and lustrous.

"My dear fellow," I said, "why do you wish to part with this? You may never get such a gem again."

"Well, as you know," he replied, "it is not that I need the money it will realize, but——" and here he hesitated. "The fact is," he went on, "it has brought me lots of trouble."

"Mere superstition," I ventured to remark.

"Nothing of the sort," he answered, "it is really a messenger of ill, and I shall be glad to tell you why, if you care to listen to it."

I was only too glad to hear his story, for any information concerning precious stones was of interest to me as an expert.

"Well," he began, "that innocent-looking pearl ring, which you regard as so beautiful, has killed four people to my knowledge."

"Impossible," I exclaimed, leaning forward in my chair, in order that I might get a clearer view of his face. But, if I expected to see signs of madness in his eyes, I was mistaken, for his expression was perfectly calm, if a trifle sad.

"Listen," he said. "Five years ago an uncle brought me this ring from Italy as a gift to my intended bride. There was some kind of pedigree connected with it, but, although he believed in it, I must say I doubted the authenticity of the story, and so, by not paying any particular attention, I do not remember its supposed history. I have a hazy idea that it was reported to be 100 years old and possessed magic properties, all of which I put down to the brilliant imagination of the seller. She wore it with pleasure; in fact, it never left her finger, and she was never tired of showing it to her friends. I can see her now explaining its beauties and the curious setting. She was then in the pride of perfect health, but gradually a change came over her, the color faded from her cheeks, the eyes lost their vitality, her expression became wan and weary, and finally one summer night she slipped away from this world."

"But," I asked, "what has the pearl to do with her illness? What did the physicians say?"

"Oh, they said something about consumption, spoke learnedly of hereditary conditions, but they could not tell exactly the cause of her death. Then, I gave the ring to my brother's wife to wear, and in a very similar way she sickened and died shortly afterwards. Of course no one thought the ring had anything to do with either deaths then, but from events that have taken place recently I positively believe that this ring is a talisman of evil. I will tell you why, but first let me say that the two other deaths occurred in a precisely similar manner to those I have told you of, and they, too, wore the pearl ring previous to their decease."

It certainly seems a curious coincidence," I said, feeling that I was expected to say something of a sympathetic nature.

"Well," he went on, "the rest is soon told. Last winter I met Miss Channing, and we became engaged before the end of the season. I won't bother you with any details, but I do want you to know that there was not a cloud over our happiness until in an unlucky moment, while out yachting during the summer, I pulled out of my pocket the pearl ring and gave it to her to wear as payment for some trifling bet we had between us. The next week she complained of feeling ill; the following week she took to her room. A month later the doctors looked grave. They acknowledged their anxiety, and admitted that the symptoms of the case were new to them, in short, that their skill seemed unavailing because they did not exactly know

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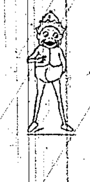

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Turning from these notable illustrations, we have but to observe the establishment of the rule in our own national, provincial, and local affairs. Is there a professor wanted for our colleges or universities? Then lo and behold a stranger is imported from Europe or from the United States. The man must be a stranger. A Canadian would not do. Is a clergyman required for one of our large churches? Then cross the border and bring in a graduate of Princeton or Harvard or Yale. You don't know much about him but then he is not a Canadian and it will be all right. Is a man wanted in our offices in our town? Then a man of the right stamp is sure to be found in Boston or Buffalo or far away Halifax or Victoria. There are dozens of capable men here but then they are too well known.

It seems to be the rule with Canadians especially to overlook their own. If those in our midst are to be discouraged in this we cannot hope much for the future of our land. I am not a pessimist by any means but such things are truly alarming for instead of inspiring our young men and women to greater things and giving them the hope that talent and energy will be suitably rewarded wherever it exists, this condition of affairs is enough to damper the ardour of not a few and smother the ambition of more than one. If those attending our schools, graduating from our high schools and our universities are to be made witnesses of such things and sufferers from such conditions, it will be no small wonder if carlessness and lack of application mark their career and hopelessness and obscurity attend their path. Home talent should be given a chance to develop. Those who patronize home talent will not often suffer but will in the majority of cases receive most excellent service for their confidence, and trust. There is no true patriotism, no true citizenship in this ignoring of one's own. "MAX"

THE BRITISH DEBT.

New York Tribune: The most sensational feature of St. Michael Hicks-Beach's budget is the proposal to cover the deficit by borrowing $300,000,000 on consols. That means an increase by that amount of the permanent funded debt. To increase the public debt is a deplorable thing. But as we said yesterday, such an increase will not make Great Britain as badly off as she has been, or as other nations are. Her present debt is, in round numbers, $3,196,000,000. This new loan will raise it to $3,496,000,000. That is a formidable sum. But France has a debt more than $6,000,000,000, and Russia one of $3,575,000,000; and Italy's, of $2,570,000,000, is proportionately more burdensome than Great Britain's. Moreover, in 1816, when she was small and poor compared with her present estate, Great Britain had a debt of more than $4,500,000,000. She reduced it rapidly, paying off more than $500,000,000 before the Crimean war. That war caused an increased of more than $150,000,000. Since then, until the present war, there was a pretty steady reduction, amounting to nearly $1,000,000,000, the reduction in the ten years 1889-1899 ranging from $22,500,000 to $44,500,000 a year.

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BURIED THOUGHTS.

How often does the chopper of some stone,
While toiling at his task of heave and shock,
Find in the heart space of a severed rock
The impress of some fern that once had grown,
Full of aspiring life and color tone,
Deep in the forest where the shadows flock,
Till, caught within the adamantine block,
It lay for ages hidden and unknown!
So many a beauteous thought blooms in the mind,
But, unexpressed, droops down into the soul
And lies unuttered in the silence there
Until some opener of the soul shall find
That fernlike, fossiled dream complete and whole
And marvel at its beauty past compare!

—Alfred S. Donaldson in Outlook.

THE SPECTER OF GORUCKPOOR

BY M. QUAD.

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The garrison of Goruckpoor in the province of Oudh, India, in the year 1862 consisted of 4,000 men, and about half of these were split up into small detachments and stationed here and there in the north to keep order among the hill men and punish raiding dacoits. Dacoits are bands of robbers under command of a chief, who holds a religious influence over them, and they are yet the pests of India along the foothills of the Himalayas. They are daring men and hard fighters, and very few British soldiers who fall into their hands are spared.

We of the Fourth, comprising 80 men, were stationed during the year 1862 almost as far north as the borders of Nepal. We had plenty of skirmishing with the dacoits for a time, but finally dealt them such heavy blows that they drew off and left us in peace. We were in the midst of what seemed to be peace when the government dispatched a large train of treasure and military supplies from Goruckpoor for Ghdorka. Colonel Kemble, who had been ordered to take command of the garrison at the latter place, being just back from a year's leave of absence in England, was with the train, and the whole was escorted by 250 cavalrymen. The route for the

"DID YOU SEE THAT BOY SITTING ON THE CHEST?"

train brought it past our station, where it rested for a day and then moved on. In a defile 15 miles to the north of us it was ambushed by over a thousand dacoits and suffered a severe misfortune. There was not only a heavy loss in killed and wounded, but the treasure and a portion of the supplies were captured and run off.

has been here in plain sight all the evening. Take him away!"

"But there's nobody here, sir."

And there wasn't. The sentinel called in two officers, who looked and searched in vain and assured Colonel Kemble that no boy was present. He tried to turn it off with a laugh, but in less than 24 hours every man in camp knew that the colonel was haunted by a specter. He made a brave effort to bluff it out, but it was useless. The specter followed at his heels by day and sat by his bedside at night, and in a week the strong, aggressive man was becoming a mental wreck. He turned to us for pity and sympathy, but we had little to give. He had been brutal in his vengeance.

The surgeon looked upon the case at first as some disorder of the brain, but later on acknowledged that it was something beyond his medicine. No one else could see the specter. The colonel would say that it sat beside him or stood in the door, but there was nothing for other eyes to rest upon. He would draw his sword and cut and slash and thrust at the specter, but he could not harm it. By the surgeon's advice the colonel returned to Goruckpoor. It was reported as a case of breaking down over mental anxiety, but hundreds of people came to know better. The specter followed him back, followed him to the house of a friend, sat with him through every night and dogged at his heels through every hour of the day. He could no more shake it off than he could change the color of his eyes. He made the gamest sort of fight, knowing that his future career was at stake, and at length all men came to pity him—pity him and avoid him as one accursed. He was medically treated, given brief furloughs and every effort made to build him up, but at the end of eight months, every day and every night of which had been a terror to him, he ended by blowing out his brains.

Was it a case of a man haunted by a spirit seeking revenge? It was not so reported officially, but from first to last and from the highest to the lowest, and this includes two surgeons, it was fully and firmly believed that it was, and the uncanny affair had a great influence over other officers in their future treatment of the natives.

History of the "Hiss."

There is not an actor, an actress, a vocalist or other public performer, including the politician, but must be interested in the hiss and its origin.

Dr. Ainslie Hollis in The Humanitarian tells, under the title of "Before Babel," of his researches as to the prevailing language before the "confusion of tongues."

Referring to the aforesaid awesome word, he writes: "Perhaps the sibilant ss (st, ts, sh) is one of the oldest sounds in animated nature, as it undoubtedly is one of the simplest to produce.

"Vocalized in the English hiss (hist, hush) we find the pure sibilant adopted by beasts, birds and reptiles as an expressive of the warning in times of stress.

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STARS.

At evening when I go to bed
I see the stars shine overhead;
They are the little daisies white
That dot the meadow of the night.

WELL WON.

Nantucket Jack was in a melancholy mood because there seemed to be no chance that he would ever win May Blossom, the captain's daughter. The preferred suitor was the mate, Boles, who had made a record as a whaler and stood high in favor.

So Jack longed for an opportunity to distinguish himself and this is how it came. The crew had pursued a whale of great value and almost killed it, when they saw a squall coming on.

All the boats at once cut away to seek the ship, but Jack was for holding on and refused to lose such a prize. His crew deserted him and left him to cope with the monster alone.

And now a truly desperate combat took place. Alternately working the light craft with skillful hand, and plying his lance—with the spray all around him—with the whale's flukes whipping the air about his head, and the white scroll of the jaw occasionally almost grasping the boat, Jack fought desperately with this "old king of the sea," so close to him all the time that the whale, the boat, the fishing lance and the nimble form of the young man, seemed almost blended into one. Aboard the man-of-war crew and officers were excited witnesses of this combat. The shrouds, the booms and all the sails were alive with blue jackets, while even those aloft, stowing canvas to prepare for the squall, kept an eye upon the strange spectacle of this one brave man struggling with so mighty an antagonist.

All at once a ringing cheer rose from the seamen as Jack, planting his lance near the "life spot," caused the leviathan to spout blood. The movements of the monster now were more feeble; he swam round and round, his spout becoming lower every moment; and finally, with one last, desperate flurry, he rolled over stone dead.

An officer—the first lieutenant—now sprang upon the ship's horseblock and roared through his trumpet:

"Leave your whale and come aboard here lively, my man," pointing with one hand, as he spoke, to the black rack of the roaring, screaming squall close aboard.

But Jack shook his head; for, having obtained his prize he was resolved not to run the risk of losing it.

"Ay, ay," remarked an old forecastle man; did ye ever see the like of that chap's pluck? But Davy Jones will be sure to swallow the lad in his maw, though he's escaped that of Johnny Whale."

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Interrupted the Witness.

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"An' den, boss," he said, in solemn and awe-struck tones, "j-j-jes' ez I war a-comin' roun' de cornah, sah, I see him 'long o' de lamp-pos'. I—"

"What time was this?" asked the judge.

The witness paused just for a second, as if something had disturbed him; but then, without turning his head, he went on:

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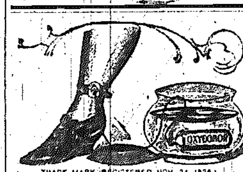

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"My own detachment one day brought in a mere boy, whom we had found cowering in a thicket. I do not believe he had the slightest knowledge of the ambush for took any part in it. He was a timid lad whose father had been one of the first to hang, and he was so frightened that but little could be got out of him. The colonel bulldozed and browbeat him and finally ordered his execution on the ground that he was a spy. It was only when he knew that he must die that the young fellow braced up and showed his courage, and as he was being led away to execution he said to the colonel:

"'Sahib Colonel, I am innocent, and you will be punished for my death. You may shoot me and bury my body, but my spirit will follow you to the grave.'

"Half an hour later he was dead, but he was the last one to be executed. That evening as the colonel entered the officers' mess tent for supper all of us noticed that he had a queer, troubled look on his face and that he cast furtive glances behind him. After a bit he tried to be jocular, but the effort was a failure. He said something about not feeling well, but nobody dared question him. At midnight that night we got an explanation. The colonel called the sentinel into his tent, and with white face and trembling voice and the perspiration standing out on his forehead he said:

"'Man, do you see that boy sitting on the chest?'

"'I see nobody, sir,' replied the sentinel.

"'He is there, I tell you! He followed me to mess and back, and he

Dr. Ainslie Hollis in The Humanitarian tells, under the title of "Before Babel," of his researches as to the prevailing language before the "confusion of tongues."

Referring to the aforesaid awesome word, he writes: "Perhaps the sibilant ss (st, ts, sh) is one of the oldest sounds in animated nature, as it undoubtedly is one of the simplest to produce.

"Vocalized in the English hiss (hist, hush) we find the pure sibilant adopted by beasts, birds and reptiles as an expressive of the warning in times of stress.

"Even the crustacean cirrhipeds can produce the sound, when 'there is an adjacent source of danger,' although they are not supplied with a proper vocal apparatus.

"Besides acting as a warning not to its own kith, some predatory animals, as, for instance, some of the smaller carnivora and certain snakes, utter the sound in a minatory manner to ward off objectionable intruders from their lair.

"Equivalent in the former case to the expressions 'Keep quiet,' 'Stand still,' a hiss is construed in its more widely known sense among animals of different species as 'Come forward at your peril,' impressing a visitor in search of hospitality much in the same way as did the legend 'Cave canem,' on the threshold of a Roman mansion."

The paragraph concludes sagely: "Our English hiss is mainly restricted to the use of dissatisfied playgoers. The sound here retains its primitive meaning—a warning note."

He Barred Newcastle.

When Edward VII as Prince of Wales visited America in 1860, Canada went wild over him, and in Detroit and Chicago the crowds were so dense that the party could scarcely reach their hotel. So many were the receptions, dinners and other social functions in which the prince participated that he finally broke down through sheer fatigue and overexcitement. The Duke of Newcastle, who was the prince's companion, decided, therefore, to stop off on their way to St. Louis at Dwight Station, a quiet village famous for its shooting. The prince brought down a bag of 14 brace of quail and four rabbits. But the pleasure of the day was marred by the following incident:

As the royal party approached a farmhouse an unmistakably British settler appeared at the door and invited every one except the Duke of Newcastle to enter.

"Not you, Newcastle!" he shouted. "I have been a tenant of yours and have sworn that you shall never set a foot on my land."

Accordingly the party passed on, and the farmer, though revenged on his old landlord, had to forego the honor of entertaining royalty under his roof.

Dunning the Dead.

A Grundy county (Kan.) physician recently sent to the address of one of his patients a bill for professional services and within ten days received the following letter written on the back of his memorandum:

"Dear Sir this neat was put in my box by mistake I han't the man nee's dead and aint any relation of mine any way. I don't see how your conshens will let you dun the dead. Why dont you live a better christon live and let live and try to meat that man who dide in heaven which is worth moar than $40 to eny doctor."

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"That was Jack!" she said.

And she was right. As the ship forged on the wind partly blew aside the misty curtain, showing the gallant fellow standing bareheaded in the stern sheets of his boat. By lashing the latter securely on the lee side of the whale to the barbed irons sticking in the body of the monster, he had prevented the craft from swamping in the squall. He was soon picked up, when the captain, in his joy at securing so valuable a whale after he had thought it was lost, fairly embraced the young harpooner.

"I see now," said the skipper, "that I mistook your character; that a quiet man—a man of few words—may have as much energy and pluck as a noisy one, and sometimes more. Boles was for cutting from the whale, but you held on, even in the face of death. You deserve a reward. Here it is."

To the side of the young man he drew blushing May Blossom, now happier than words can express, and placed her hand in that of brave Nantucket Jack.

Agricultural Notes.

What you save by scanting in amount of seed you lose in the crop.

Trees should not be planted any deeper than they grow in the nursery.

Caring for the fruit trees is the most neglected part of the farm business.

Rye is not considered a good grain for poultry. They like it as green food.

The farmers in this country do not grow enough succulent food for stock.

Hay is hay, but the cattle will show you that there are good and bad qualities.

Breaking Even.

The Nurse—The great event is over, sir, and your wife is getting on nicely.

Strazilski—Dell me qvick—I haf a bet mit mein bardner—is it a poy?

The Nurse—Well, to tell the truth, sir, it's twins—a boy and a girl.

Strazilski—Vot a narrow escape! I lose on von und vin on de udder. I always was luggy in pets—Judge.

Duties of Life.

We are apt to mistake our vocation, says Hannah Moore, by looking out of the way for occasions to exercise great and rare virtues, and by stepping over the ordinary ones which lie directly in the road before us. When we read we fancy we could be martyrs, and when we come to acts we cannot bear a provoking word.

The Trial of Strength.

It is trial that proves one thing weak and another strong. A house built on the sand is, in fair weather, just as good as if builded on a rock. A cobweb is as good as the mightiest cable when there is no strain upon it.—H. W. Beecher.

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The lawyers were almost convulsed with laughter, the judge bent his head and shook with merriment, and the witness was allowed to finish his story undisturbed.

Rest Your Eyes.

The moment you are instinctively inclined to rub the eyes that moment cease to use them; also it is time to give your eyes a rest when you become sensible of an effort to distinguish. Cold water is about the safest application for inflamed eyes. Never sleep so that on awakening the eyes shall open on the light of a window. Never read or sew directly in front of the light of a window, the better light being that that comes from above or obliquely or over the left shoulder. Too much light is an evil, just as is scant light. It creates a glare that pains and confuses the sight.

An Outrage.

"What makes you so late?" asked his mother.

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Items of Local Interest

The memorial service of the late Henry Langford as announced to take place in Zion Methodist church, Sunday the 28th inst. at 3.30 o'clock, has been postponed to Sunday, May 5th, at same time and place, owing to the absence of the pastor of the church, Rev. J. H. Morgan.

H. Williams, of Fort Frances, was in town for a few days this week.

Work at the Norman mills is expected to commence next week. It will probably be two weeks before the big mill starts.

L. R. Mackay has purchased the str. Granite from the Great Granite Mining Co.

Capt. Kendall had steam up in the Clipper this. It is expected she will leave on her first trip of the season to the Mikado early next week.

The Ladies' Aid of Zion church wish to express their regret at the unfortunate disappointment which occurred in connection with the lecture advertised for April 17th, and to state that no blame should be attached to Mr. Hector, who acts only through his managers. The ladies desire also to thank the public for their kind patronage upon this, as upon other occasions, and will see that such an unfortunate occurrence is not repeated.

It was decided at the last regular meeting of the public school board to admit beginners to the primary department at three times during the year only, viz., on the opening of school after the Midsummer, Christmas and Easter holidays. Parents should govern themselves accordingly.

Mining contractors will do well to note advt. calling for tenders for sinking, in another column.

Chas. Fedder, who has been for some time at the Twentieth Century property in the Upper Manitou, left for his home in Dansville, N. Y., this week.

for whom he was working as the time the accident occurred. Mr. Hogan, on the other hand, avers that he repeatedly warned the man against careless handling of dynamite, and that he had spoken to him on the subject on the very day that he sustained the injury.—Wabigoon Star.

Dick Whiteman, of Vermilion Bay, is in town.

Silas Griffis left for the east last night on a business trip.

Geo. Drewry is in Toronto this week.

H. A. Guess, of the Sakoose, is in town to-day.

A. Dunham left for Winnipeg this morning.

Thos. Davidson, of Ignace, arrived in town this morning.

The second section of No. 1, yesterday was composed of settlers—Canadians, English, and Italians.

The Ethel Banning, of the lumber company,s fleet, is on the slip undergoing repairs and improvements. She will be in good shape for the heavy work of the present season.

THE Peoples Forum

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Rat Portage, March 21, 1901.

To the Editor of the Miner:

Dear Sir,—Please give this article which I will make as brief as possible space in your valuable paper:

Has God changed or given permission to change the Sabbath. I not only contend that he has not changed the Sabbath but that it was, and is impossible for even He to change it. If God has changed in the slightest degree any one of the ten commandments which he with his own finger wrote on two tables of stone then he is not an unchangeable God and the devil's contention that God is arbitrary would have some foundation.

First, let us consider the Godhead; the churches say there are three persons. I must confess that I can find only one, namely the Lord Jesus Christ formerly all divine, but latterly both human and divine. A few passages of Scripture should make this sufficiently plain. Isaiah 9:6: "For unto us a child is born, unto us a son is given, and the government shall be upon his shoulders, and his name shall be called Wonderful, Councillor, the Mighty God, the Everlasting Father, the Prince of Peace." Isaiah 63:8-9 "Surely they are my people, children that will not lie." So he was their Savior. In all their affliction he was afflicted, and the angel of his presence saved them, in his love and in his pity he redeemed them, and he bore them, and carried them all the days of old. Zechariah 14:9. "And the Lord shall be king over all the earth: in that day shall there be one Lord, and his name one." The Gospel according to John 1: 1-10. "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was God, the same was in the beginning with God. All things were made by him, and without him was not anything made that was made." He was in the world and

maidservant, nor thy cattle, nor the stranger that is within thy gates." (Note carefully why the Sabbath is kept.) "For in six days the Lord made heaven and earth, the sea and all that in them is, wherefore the Lord blessed the seventh day and hallowed it." Did God make a mistake? Or did something unforeseen happen to force God to change all the blessings and sanctification bestowed on the seventh day to the first day, the wild solar holiday of all heathen times, Sunday. Ex. 24:12, "And the Lord said unto Moses, come up to me unto the mount, and be there, and I will give thee tables of stone, and a law, and commandments which I have written, that thou mayest teach them." Ex. 25:10-22, which is a description of the ark of the covenant, built 1491, B.C., and the order to put therein the two tables of the testament under the mercyseat, where God promised to meet with them. Has God got two mercy seats? Or has he moved to the seat of judgment? Ex. 31: read from 13th verse, God calls the Sabbath a sign between himself and the seed of Abraham, and all Christians claim to be the seed of Abraham. Deut. 4:13: "And he declared unto you his covenant, which he commanded you to perform, even ten commandments, and he wrote them on two tables of stone. Let us move on now 486 years after the ark was built. I Kings 8:9, in the year 1005 B.C., there was nothing in the ark save the two tables of stone which Moses put therein at Horeb when God made a covenant with the children of Israel when they came out of the land of Egypt. Enough has been written to prove that the law, the testimony and the commandments are all one and the same. Psalm 3: part of 7 and 8, all his commandments are sure. They stand fast for ever and ever, Isaiah 24 5. The world also is defiled under the inhabitants thereof, because they have transgressed the law, changed the ordinances, broken the everlasting covenant. Read to the end of the chapter. Ezekiel 20, 12 to 20. "And hallow My Sabbaths and they shall be a sign between Me and you that ye may know that I am the Lord thy God." What, or whose sign or mark is Sunday? For answer read Rev. 13-16. "And He causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand or in their foreheads." Matthew 5, 17 and 18, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy but to fulfill: for verily I say unto you, until heaven and earth pass, one jot, or one tittle, shall in no ways pass from the law till all be fulfilled," that is, till all of the law has been fulfilled by all, or, till no one is in the least degree breaking any of the law's requirements. Matt. 15:3. "Why do ye also transgress the commandments of God by your traditions?" Matt. 28:1. "In the end of the Sabbath as it began to dawn towards the first day of the week." Mark 7: 7. "Howbeit in vain do they worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men." Luke 21: 36. "And

"For the leaders of the people cause them to err: and that they that are led of them are destroyed." Isaiah 30: 28. "And His breath as an overflowing stream shall reach to the midst of the neck, to sift the nations with the sceive of vanity, and there shall be a bridle in the jaw of the people, causing them to err"—i.e. Sunday laws.

Ezekiel 22: 26. "Her priests have violated my laws, and have profaned my holy things: they have put no difference between the unclean and the clean, and have hid their eyes from My Sabbaths." Now, the question is, will God accept this at their hands, even admitting them to be sincere? Read 1 Sam. 13: 11 to 14. "Saul, King of Israel, was not a priest, and had no authority to offer up a burnt offering." But he was in a hard place, and wishing to get God's blessing on his undertaking, he offered up a burnt offering, and for his presumption God took away his kingdom. Read also the 15th chapter of 1 Sam. and also 2 Sam. 6: 6 to 9, "And when they came to Nathan's threshing floor, Uzah put forth his hand to the Ark of God, and took hold of it, for the oxen stumbled, and the anger of the Lord was kindled against Uzah, and God smote him there for his rashness, and he died by the Ark of God." The inference naturally would be that those two men, Saul and Uzah thought that they were serving God, but they had the opportunity of knowing better, so consequently God would not accept an error at their hands. Then be not deceived. God will not accept any excuse from any one within whose reach is His holy Bible. For Jesus said, "Search the Scripture, for in them ye think ye have eternal life, for they testify of Me."

May God grant that all who read this article may carefully consider these things and search their Bibles daily to find out whether these things be, or be not so. Yours sincerely,

L. L. McPHAIL.

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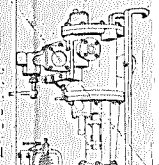

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It was decided at the last regular meeting of the public school board to admit beginners to the primary department at three times during the year only, viz., on the opening of school after the Midsummer, Christmas and Easter holidays. Parents should govern themselves accordingly.

Mining contractors will do well to note advt. calling for tenders for sinking, in another column.

Chas. Felder, who has been for some time at the Twentieth Century property in the Upper Manitou, left for his home in Dansville, N. Y., this week.

A number of improvements in the C.P.R. yards at Wabigoon are in contemplation.

W. C. Robinson, formerly night operator of the C. P. R. at Wabigoon has been transferred to Tache.

Rev. Mr. Tapscott will preach a memorial sermon on the late Mr. Langford Sunday night next, in the Tabernacle.

It is said that the Finn whose eyes were damaged by a premature explosion of dynamite at the Munro mine, has brought an action for $5,000 against Thos. Hogan, the contractor.

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John 14:9, "Jesus saith unto him, have I been so long time with you, and yet hast thou not known me, Phillip. He that hath seen me hath seen the Father, and how sayest thou then, show us the Father;" also, John 11:25, "Jesus said unto her, I am the resurrection and the life." John 14:18, "I will not leave you orphans. I will come to you." How? As the Comforter, the Holy Spirit. It was Jesus then that wrote the ten commandments on two tables of stone. Why on stone? That they should last as long as this earth will last. Why on two tables instead of one? The first four commandments on one table embraces man's whole duty to God; the last six on the other table embraces a man's whole duty to man, and so long as the earth will last all these commandments will remain unchangeable and unchanged. Now, as to the seventh day Sabbath. Gen. 2:2, "And he rested on the seventh day from all his works which he had made." Third verse, "And God blessed the seventh day and sanctified it because that in it he had rested from all his works which God created and made." Not only has the day been changed by man but the time of the beginning and ending of the day has been changed. Lev. 23:32, last clause, "From evening unto evening shall ye celebrate your Sabbaths." Ex. 16:22-"And he (Moses) said unto them, this is what the Lord hath said, tomorrow is the rest of the holy Sabbath unto the Lord." Ex. 20:8-11, "Remember the Sabbath day to keep it holy; six days shalt thou labor; (or as it is in Deut. 5:13, "six days thou shalt labor." There is no choice here, this is imperative, you must work six days.) "and do all thy work, but the seventh day is the Sabbath of the Lord thy God." (Note this is not the Jewish Sabbath, there never was a Jewish Sabbath. The law is addressed to all irrespective of color, creed or race, "Thou shalt not do any work, thou nor thy son, nor thy daughter, thy manservant, thy or whose sign or mark is Sunday? For answer read Rev. 13:16, "And He causeth all, both small and great, rich and poor, free and bond, to receive a mark in their right hand or in their foreheads." Matthew 5:17 and 18, "Think not that I am come to destroy the law, or the prophets: I am not come to destroy but to fulfill; for verily I say unto you, until heaven and earth pass, one jot, or one tittle, shall in no ways pass from the law till all be fulfilled," that is, till all of the law has been fulfilled by all, or, till no one is in the least degree breaking any of the law's requirements. Matt. 15:3, "Why do ye also transgress the commandments of God by your traditions?" Matt. 28:1, "In the end of the Sabbath as it began to dawn towards the first day of the week." Mark 7:7, "Howbeit in vain do they worship Me, teaching for doctrines the commandments of men?" Luke 23:56, "And they returned and prepared spices and ointments, and rested the Sabbath day indeed according to the commandments." 24:1, "Now upon the first day of the week very early in the morning, they came to the sepulchre;" even the annointing of the body of Jesus was not sufficient cause to make those women break the commandments. Acts 28:17, Thirty years after the crucifixion, Paul said, "Though I have done nothing against the people, or customs of our fathers, yet was I delivered prisoner from Jerusalem into the hands of the Romans." Could anything be more positive than this? This is proof positive that Paul neither knew of, nor observed any other day than the seventh day—Sabbath. And how could he, when we carefully consider the following. Rev. 11:18 and 19, "And the nations were angered, and the time of the dead that they should be judged, and that Thou shouldst give rewards to Thy servants the prophets, and to the saints, and to them that fear Thy name, small and great, and shouldst destroy them that destroy the earth, and the temple of God was open in heaven, and there was seen in His temple the ark of the testament." Rev. 21:2, "And I, John, saw the holy city, new Jerusalem, coming down from God out of heaven." I have not the slightest doubt that in this holy city will be the temple of God, and consequently the ark of the testament. The only authority I find in the Bible for the change of Sabbath is Daniel 7:25, "And he shall speak great words against the Most High, and shall wear out the saints of the the Most High, and think to change times and laws, and they shall be given into his hand until a time and times and the dividing of time." This is claimed to mean 1260 years. 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And notice is hereby given that from and after the 11th day of May, 1901, the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the estate of the deceased among the persons entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have received notice, and the Administrator will not be liable for the said estate or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claims he shall not have had notice at the time of such distribution.

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Dated this 23rd day of April, 1901.
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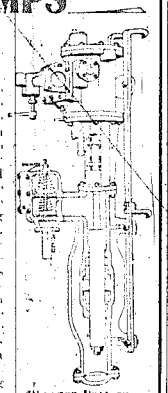

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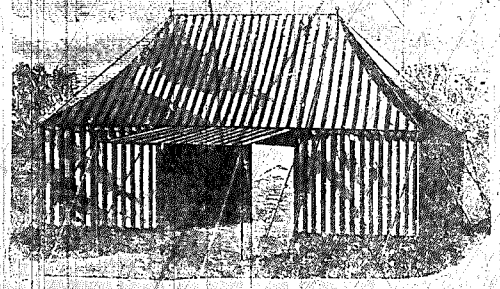

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